

Family Incentive Grant Report

(FY 2022 Appropriation Act – Public Act 87 of 2021)

March 1, 2022

Sec. 574. (1) From the funds appropriated for foster care payments, \$1,375,000.00 is allocated to support family incentive grants to private and community-based foster care service providers to assist with home improvements or payment for physical exams for applicants needed by foster families and unlicensed relatives caring for a family member through the child welfare system to accommodate children in foster care.

(2) By March 1 of the current fiscal year, the department shall submit to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the house and senate fiscal agencies, the house and senate policy offices, and the state budget office a report on the total amount expended in the previous year for grants to private and community-based foster care service providers for home improvements or physical exams as referenced in subsection (1) and the number of grants issued.



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In fiscal year 2021, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) received \$375,000 to fund Family Incentive Grants (FIG). The purpose of these funds is to alleviate barriers to licensure for foster parents and relative caregivers. In fiscal year 2021, MDHHS authorized and expended \$375,000 to fund 227 FIG requests. Examples of items funded include repair of heating systems, egress window installation, replacement of broken doors and windows, repair of leaking roofs and providing safe and appropriate beds and cribs.